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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
GROUP ART UNIT 3661**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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LOCKUP CLUTCH FOR A HYDRODYNAMIC TORQUE
CONVERTER AND CONTROL DEVICE FOR
IMPLEMENTING THE METHOD
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In response to the Final Office Action of October 9, 2003, please
amend the above-referenced application without prejudice as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims,
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